

# SLD/Dyslexia Workgroup 2014-15

## *Meeting Summary*

Friday, December 5, 2014 ♦ 8:30 – 12:30

SERC Classroom, CSDE/SERC, 25 Industrial Park Rd., Middletown, CT

Donna Merritt greeted members and gave an overview of the work that was completed at our 11/20/14 meeting.

### ❖ *Defining Dyslexia:* Review Final Draft

- In small groups, members reviewed the 2<sup>nd</sup> draft of the definition. As a group, they were to read and think about the following: Are there any questions? Does it make sense from an educator's perspective? Does it make sense from a parent's perspective? Is it technically accurate?
- The whole group reconvened to share input for further revision.
- This input will be used to finalize this definition in preparation for "roll out" to the districts in January 2015.

### ❖ *Creating Input to CSDE:* FAQs

- Small groups worked on specific FAQ's—prioritizing them relative to the information that districts need to receive in January 2015.
- FAQ writing assignments were determined for specific members/groups to work on and to send to CSDE in preparation for the release of guidance to districts in January.

### ❖ *Other*

- The SERC SLD/Dyslexia website that we have begun to populate with resources under the following headings, **Parents, Resources, Professional Learning** and **Related Links** was shared with group.
- This website will also include the SERC LibGuide on SLD/Dyslexia that includes all information in the SERC Library on this topic as well as links to other key learning disabilities and dyslexia websites and resources.

### ❖ *Establishing Next Steps*

- Feedback regarding State Resources/Information
- Generating Ideas for Professional Learning
- Instructional Options for SLD/Dyslexia

**Next Meeting: January 27, 2015 (8:30 – 12:30)**  
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